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CUT METAL CONSUMPTION;
DEVELOP NEW BUS, MOTORCYCLE, BICYCLES

PLANTS JOIN DRIVE TO SAVE METAL -- Leningradskaya Pravda, 12 Jan 52

A joint session of the collegium of the Automobile and Tractor Industry and the Central Committee of the Trade Union, attended by the directors of Moscow plants of the ministry and by heads of main administrations, approved the drive for the complex reduction of metal consumption per unit of output initiated by the Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin. The plant's forge shops alone will save about 1,300 tons of metal in 1952 by adopting this method.

Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 18 Jan 52

The Moscow Carburetor Plant has eliminated a zinc ring 100 millimeters in diameter and a brass nut 105 millimeters in diameter from brake valves it produces. This measure simplifies the design of the valve, makes it more reliable in operation, and will save the plant 25 tons of brass and 12 tons of zinc per year.

Air filters, which were formerly cast of zinc, are now stamped from steel. This substitution will save 20 tons of costly nonferrous metal yearly.

Moscow, Pravda, 19 Jan 52

Joining the drive started by the Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin, the Gor'kiy Automobile Plant imeni V. M. Molotov plans to reduce the amount of metal going into each GAZ-51 truck by 75.3 kilograms, and the amount going into each Pobeda automobile by 67 kilograms.

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Moscow, Komsomol'skaya Pravda, 29 Jan 52

Workers of the Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin have promised to save 35 kilograms of ferrous bar stock and 2.5 kilograms of nonferrous bar stock on every ZIS-150 truck, to save 50 kilograms of ferrous bar stock on every ZIS-51 truck, and to reduce the consumption of metal in ZIS-154 busses, in bicycles, and in refrigerators by 6 percent.

TRACTOR PLANTS IMPROVE METHODS, SHIP PRODUCTS -- Moscow, Komsomol'skaya Pravda, 9 Jan 52

The Saratov Serp 1 Molot Plant has put into operation an automatic transfer line for machining motor blocks for STZ-NATI tractors. The line will speed up production and save the plant 500,000 rubles yearly.

Moscow, Pravda, 24 Jan 52

Yesterday, the Vladimir Tractor Plant shipped 30 railroad cars of its products to MTS of Uzbek SSR, and of Tula and Kursk oblasts.

Moscow, Pravda, 28 Jan 52

Smelters of the Rubtsovsk Tractor Plant have increased the output of steel from electric furnaces by 13.5 percent in 11 months of 1951.

The Rubtsovsk Tractor Electric Equipment Plant is adopting measures to make the plant an enterprise of collective Stakhanovite labor.

DEVELOP NEW INTERCITY BUS -- Moscow, Moskovskaya Pravda, 13 Jul 51

The Scientific Technical Council, Ministry of Automobile and Tractor Industry, has approved the plans of a new bus for intercity transport. The Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin will build two test models of the bus.

The bus will be insulated so that the inside temperature can be maintained at 14-15 degrees centigrade when the temperature is 30 degrees below zero outside. In summer, the insulation will protect passengers from the heat. The bus will have adjustable seats, springs mounted on rubber cushions, powerful brakes, and an improved heating and ventilating system.

The new bus will be powered by a six-cylinder, 165-horsepower diesel engine. Its maximum speed will be 100 kilometers per hour, and its operating speed will be 70-80 kilometers per hour. Thus, the trip from Moscow to Simferopol' would take 20-22 hours on this bus.

PRODUCE NEW MOTORCYCLE -- Moscow, Komsomol'skaya Pravda, 18 Aug 51

The Izhevsk Plant is now producing the two-seater IZh-49 motorcycle. This 11.5-horsepower motorcycle develops speeds up to 100 kilometers per hour. Spring-hydraulic shock absorbers on front and rear wheels make the cycle suitable for difficult road conditions and protect the driver from fatigue on long trips.

The Kovrov Plant will soon start producing these improved motorcycles.

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RAISE BICYCLE OUTPUT, BUILD NEW MODELS -- Moscow, Pravda, 29 Oct 51

The Shyauliyay Bicycle Plant has assumed the following obligations for the remainder of 1951: to complete the 1951 plan by 21 December, to produce 1,000 bicycles above the plan, to raise labor productivity 2 percent above the plan, and to place 70 units of equipment on the socialist maintenance program.

Kiev, Pravda Ukrainy, 22 Nov 51

The experimental shop of the Khar'kov Bicycle Plant has developed models of new bicycles which are one kilogram lighter than the present V-110, and at the same time, of superior quality. Three experimental models of folding bicycles, which can be carried in a small case and are easily transportable, have been built. The new models will undergo plant and state testing, and will then be put into mass production.

Riga, Sovetskaya Latvija, 25 Dec 51

The Riga Sarkana Zvaygzne Bicycle Plant completed its 1951 plan ahead of time and increased output 20 percent over 1950.

BICYCLE PLANT MAKES UP DEFICIT -- Riga, Sovetskaya Latvija, 23 Jan 52

The Omega Plant, which supplies various bicycle parts to the Riga Sarkana Zvaygzne Plant, failed to fulfill its production plan for the first 6 months of 1951. In the last quarter of 1951, the plant made up the deficit of the first three quarters and fulfilled the 1951 production plan in the whole range of types. The plant makes use of the so-called closed technological cycle, in which all equipment and all workers machining a specific part or unit are concentrated in one section.

CITE RULES FOR CAR BUYERS -- Moscow, Trud, 19 May 51

The purchaser of an automobile must take it to an agency of the State Automobile Inspection for registration within 48 hours of purchase. There he must present a receipt from a branch of the State Bank showing that the state tax of 25 rubles (15 rubles for motorcycles) has been paid, and a bill of sale from the Glavavtotraktorosbyt (Main Administration of Sales, Ministry of Automobile and Tractor Industry) store where he bought the car.

Assembling cars from spare or discarded units is forbidden.

A license plate and a bond of technical inspection are issued for each car registered. Driving a car without license plates, inspection bond, or driver's license is forbidden.

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